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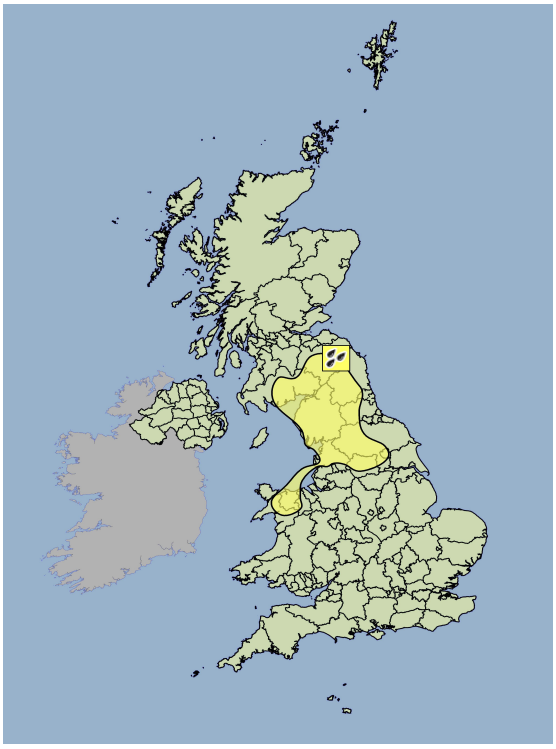

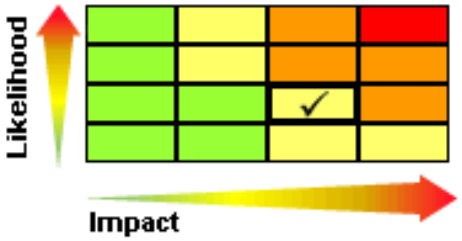

Chief Forecasters Assessment
Rain, persistent and heavy at times, is expected to spread north across the UK on Christmas Day and Boxing Day. During Boxing Day the frontal system, bringing the heaviest and most prolonged spells of rain, is expected to become slow moving across the warning area. There is still uncertainty over where the heaviest rainfall will be in the warning area, but around 60 to 80 mm is likely to fall quite widely, with a chance of up to 150 mm locally over high ground. Despite uncertainties in frontal positioning and therefore rainfall amounts, there is increasing evidence to suggest rainfall accumulations will be high enough to cause some moderate levels of disruption. Currently, the highest likelihood of moderate levels of disruption is across England and Wales.

This warning will be reviewed this (Wednesday) afternoon and further updates are likely in the coming days as confidence in the forecast increases.

The Met Office have issued a **Yellow Alert** of **Rain**

Valid from **15:00 on Fri, 25th Dec 2015** until **23:45 on Sat, 26th Dec 2015**

Outbreaks of rain will gradually spread north across Wales and northern England through the course of Christmas Day, reaching southern parts of Scotland during the early hours of Boxing Day. The rain will be heavy at times, particularly over high ground and will persist through much of Boxing Day.

Be aware of the potential for flooding and some disruption to transport.

This is an update to the Alert, issued on Tuesday, to include parts of southern Scotland and North Wales. The likelihood of medium impacts is now higher. However, over southern Scotland the likelihood of medium impacts remains very low.

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  - Dumfries and Galloway
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